

appropriate environment to children with disabilities in the project area.

Annual reports of NCM

4058. SHRI K.M. KHAN: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have received the annual reports of the National Commission for Minorities for the period 1995-2000;
- (b) whether Government have also received special reports from the commission during the said period;
- (c) if so, whether the major recommendations contained in these annual and special reports have been accepted and implemented; and
- (d) if so, the details of the action taken on the recommendations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) to (d) During the period, the National Commission for Minorities have submitted Annual Reports pertaining to the years 1995-96, 1996-97, 1997-98, 1998-99 and Bi-annual Report, 1999 (upto September, 1999) as well as a number of special reports. Action has been initiated on these reports. Concerned Ministries/departments of the Central Government as well as the State Government have been requested for taking appropriate action and sending details of action taken to the Ministry.

Inadequacies in implementation of SC/ST welfare programmes

4059. SHRIMATI VANGA GETHA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is fact that there are serious inadequacies reported in the implementation of programmes for the welfare of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;